

MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 18, 1899

FEARFUL OF the effect of reducing negro representation in national republican conventions, the national republican committee have determined of Columbia and immigration. The that the Southern States shall have as chairmen of the elections committees are that the Southern is their next as Chairmen of the elections committees are large representation in their next, as they had in their last national convention. That committee is solid for Mr. McKinley, and all the money and influence it may have at its disposal will be used with the negro delegates from the South to induce them to make his renomination unanimous. Mr. Hanna knows how to make unanimous nominations.

To those whose sympathies are with republic of Transvaal, the worst of all the bad news they receive from South Africa is to the effect that their friends are displacing their defeated commanders. As a worthy old Virginian used to say, "it is ominous of a d-n bad sign" when armies change their commanders in the presence of the enemy. Swapping knives when swimming a stream never was a profitable business.

TIME was when the federal government would have asked Virginia the favor of allowing a naval vessel to be named after her; but last Friday the Governor of Virginia, himself, asked President McKinley and the Assistant Secretary of the Navy to name one of the new ships the Virginia. All old things, however, have passed away, and, unfortunately, those that have taken their places are not as good.

In FIGHTING for their independence, the Boers are infinitely better situated than the Confederates were nearly forty years ago, as their invaders have to recruit their depleted armies from a base thousands of miles away, whereas the Yankees could recruit theirs just outside the Confederate lines. There is a vast difference between fighting at | United States territorial laws to the ina short and a long distance from the base of supplies.

THE Boers have not only defeated all the division commanders sent against them, but even the commander-in-chief of the British forces and with such great loss that the latter has been displaced. Great Britain could hardly afford to bring to an end an unsuccessful war with such a power as the Transvaal. but, for all that, she should know that in many instances a good run is better than a bad stand,

Judging from business failures in Bos ton last week, and rumors of others in New York and Baltimore, today, and their extensive evil effects, there must be many people in those cities to whom prosperity is as remote as it is to most of those in the South.

ELEVEN MEN elected to Congress as democrats, deserted their party today and voted with the republicans, and thereby joined the republican party. If the democratic caucus of the House be wise, those men will never be admitted to it again.

THE new method of subduing drunken soldiers adopted at Fort Myer, in Alexandris county-shooting them by order of the officer in command-is a specific one, and produces the desired result at once. Hot lead has a decidedly cooling effect upon same excited people.

THE FILIPINOS.

Bishop Henry C. Potter, of the Episcopal Diocese of New York, who is studying conditions in the Philippines, has made public a statement in which

"The Filipinos can be conquered and subdued by our armies. They can be routed and scattered, so far as their military forces are concerned, but the instincts of justice in them cannot be extinguished, whether by armies or navies. It is to be hoped that it will not be the office of the United States to attempt to extinguish them. This people have been robbed and oppressed by those who in their wrong doing have shielded themselves behind the highest sanctions. Their lands, which have been taken from them by force and fraud, should be restored to them. The authority of the United States should stand for that which must forever be the brightest blazon upon her escutcheon-honesty and justice toward the weakest wards of the republic." 1____

THE MAINE DEAD .- The War Department has contracted with the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad to move from Newport News to Washington the Maine dead, numbering about 166 bodies, which will reach Newport News in a few days on the Texas, from Havana. The bodies will be in hermetically sealed metallic caskets, and six or seven baggage cars will be provided to move them. The cars are to be handled by special train to reach Washington about seven in the morning, from once to Rosslyn, near Arlington Cemetery. The bodies will be unloaded from the Texas at one of the Chesapeake and Ohio wharves in Newport News, and placed directly on the equipment provided. The funeral train will pass through Richmond.

A unique scene was witnessed in the Tem ple Baptist Church at Atlanta, Ga, yesterday when three pretty young women supplanted the young men ushers and escorted the members of the congregation to their seats.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] It was reported at the Capitol this morning that the passage of the cur-rency bill to create the gold standard and enlarge the powers of the Secretary of the Treasury will be speedily followed by a panic, and that after this is worked up, the secretary will use the large powers conferred by the bill and proceed to issue more gold-bearing

Mr. Rixey of the Alexandria district is on the naval committee, Mr. Swanson on the ways and means and postoffice committees, Mr. Hay on the military committee, Mr. Lamb on the agricultural committee and expenditures in the Treasury Department, as they were in the last House. Mr. Epes is on the committee on territories, Mr. Quarles on Pacific railroads, Mr. Young on mi litia, Mr. Jones on insular affairs and private land claims, Mr. Rhea on patats, and Mr. Otev on claims, District No. 2, and Mesick of Michigan No. 3.

Capt. C. B. Wood, of Rappahannock county, Va., from whom twenty barrels of apples for Queen Victoria's table were bought last year, and who sold his this year's crop on the trees for \$5,000, is nere today looking at the sights. The Captain was a bold soldier boy in the Confederate army, and though not so active as he was at the time that tried his body as well as his soul, is still hale and hearty.

Mr. Douglass Tyler of Virginia, an old and competent clerk in the Land the British in their war upon the Office here, is very ill at his quarters in this city, and today, at the request of Representative Otey and General W. H. Payne had his month's, sick fur-lough extended for another month. Several negroes were guests at the banquet given here by Senator-Hanna to the national republican committee

> ast Saturday night. If Mr. Hav's bill providing for a sesion of the U.S. court for the western district of Virginia, at Charlottesville, ne passed, it will necessitate the erec ion of a much needed public building

> at that town. Senator Daniel is among the Senators who have gone home for the holidays. Senator Martin was in his seat today. He will be formally re-elected tomor row, but will not go to Richmond until after he has been informed of that fact Reports from Cubs are to the effect that General Fitzhugh Lee is not affronted by the promotion of General Wood to the command of that island, and that he says he is confident the President will provide for him for hire. It now appears that American monopolies have obtained po-session of cable communi-cation not only with Cubs, but also with such as shall be made with the Philippines.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

Washington, Dec. 18. SENATH.

A memorial drawn by residents of Hawaii at a meeting held at Honolulu was read. The President and Congress are urgently requested to extend the ands.

Mr. Mason presented numerous petitions for the continued existence of the South African republic.

Mr. Tillman offered resolutions op posing the retention of the Pailippines A resolution offered by Mr. Hoar was adopted calling on the foreign relations committee to report what steps had been taken to pay claims growing out of the Spanish-American war.

Mr. Pettigrew presented a resolution extending the thanks of Congress to Commodore Schley (now Rear Admiral) and his officers and men for their gallant conduct at the battle of Santiago. Referred to the naval affairs com-

Mr. Bacon introduced a joint resolution in opposition to exercising permanent sovereignty or control over the Filip nos should have the same rights and liberties that are accorded the

Mr. Morgan then called up his resolutions regarding trusts and read a speech thereon.

HOUSE.

In anticipation of the vote on the currency bill, there was a large attendance of members on the floor when the House met at noon.

Mr. Bartlett made his first appearance in the House on orptches as a result of an accident to his foot, and was sworn in, the Speaker administrating the oath to him standing at his desk instead of peing required to stand in front of the Speaker's table,

The special rule for the consideration

of the currency bill being read, the third reading of the bill and its engrossment were agreed to without opposition. Mr. Overstreet demanded a roll call

on the passage of the bill.

Both sides indersed the demand and the cierk proceeded to call the roll. The bill was passed by a vote of 190 to 150,

The democratic members who voted for the bill were. Clayton, New York; Denny, Mary

land; Driggs, New York; Fitzgerald, New York; Levy, New York; McAleer, Pennsylvania; Ruppert, New York; Scudder, New York; Thayer, Massa-chusetts; Underhill, New York; Wil-

The result was greeted with republican cheers.

The only members not voting and not paired were Bellamy, of North Carolina; Smith, of Maryland; Stallings, of Mississippi, and Wheeler, of Alabama, There is one vacancy in the Seventh

Kentucky district.

After adjournment the republicant congratulated themselves on the un-broken front they presented and on the fact that the bill passed without a single amendment.

The Speaker then announced the list of the committees of the House. During the reading Mr. Bailey in-

quired whether the list included the name of General Wneeler. The Speaker answered, "It does not," Mr. Bailey's purpose was to object to the recognition of Gen. Wheeler as a

member of the House.

After the reading of the committees had been finished Mr. DeArmond presented resolutions expressing the regret of the House at the death of former Rep resentative Bland, of Missouri, and in respect to his memory an adjournment was taken until noon tomorrow.

The cotton market in New York became weak to the point of a panic be-fore the end of the first hour this morning under the disquieting rumors from Wall street and weak late cables. Heavy selling sent January down from 7:19 to 7:09. March from 7:32 to 7:20 and May from 7:32 to 7:28. On the other hand the produce market was strong under the general belief that the Boer war would inevitably increase the demand for produce,

VIRGINIA NEWS. NEWS OF THE DAY.

Cardinal Gibbons has decided to a!low priests to celebrate midnight mass

on December 31. Aguinaldo, in disguise, accompanied by several of his generals, left Manitong last Saturday.

At its session in Detroit on Saturday the Federation of Labor condemned the shipping subsidy bill.

Dispatches from Caracas tell of a vic tory of Gen. Castro's troops over the army of Hernandez, the insurgent lead-

A Pittsburg inventor save that he has constructed a receiver for use in wireless telegraphy which may make pos sible sending messages across the Atlantic. One hundred and fourteen children

were deprived of heat and warmth Saturday night at the Industrial Home School, near Washington, by a disastrous fire which wrecked the new power plant of the institution. The President is said to have signed the order taking many places out of

promise with spoilsmen in Congress who threatened to withhold the appropriation for the civil service commis eion. The Chatham academy, the central building of the public shool system and the largest school house of Savannah Ga., covering half a block, was destroy-

the classified civil service as a com-

ed by fire before daylight Saturday morning. The loss will approximate about \$75,000. Lieutenant Thomas M. Brumby, who was Admiral Dewey's flag lieutenant during the battle of Manila bay, died at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon of ty phoid fever at Garfield Hospital, in Washington. Lieutenant Brumby wa born in Marietta, Ga., on November

20, 1855. His father was a distinguish-

en officer in the Confederate army. A meeting of Irishmen in Dublin veserday expressed sympathy with Boer cause and rejoiced over the British defeats. The Transvaal flag was waved defiantly in front of Dublin Castle. The meeting was checked by the police, but it led to exciting scenes. Crowds paraded the streets singing 'God Save Ireland," and cheering the Boers. A meeting of Irish leaders was held in the rooms of the Irish Transvaal committee, and speeches were made denouncing England.

A three-week'c-old beby boy wa found in the vestibule of the home of Mrs. Alice Freeman, 1208 Sixth street southwest, Washington, Saturday night The following was on a note which had been left with the infant; "Foster and protect my baby boy and God will reward you spiritually, while I and its father will reward you financially. Name him Oscar. The blessings and prayers of a grief-stricken mother are yours always." The babe has been placed in St. Ann's Infant Asylum.

Fire started suddenly at 12:40 o'clock yesterday morning in a big factory building on First avenue, New York, occupied by a wire factory, a cigar manufacturing firm, a firm of machinists and by other businesses. The flames spread with great rapidity, and within few minutes it was apparent that it would be impossible to save the building, and every effort of the firemen was devoted to an attempt to save the surrounding tenements. There was a terific panic in many of these tenements, and the avenue in a few moments was almost blocked with half naked poor people who had tumbled out of the ramsackle buildings with wild cries of fright. The basement of the building was occupied as a livery stable and 12 horses were burned to death. It is believed all the people was got out of safety, although the tenements in several of the children rescued were unconscious from smoke. The loss will amount to about \$100,000.

THE WAR IN AFRICA.

Field Marshall Lord Frederick Sleigh Roberts has been appointed commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa, with General Lord chief of staff. Roberts thus in effect supersedes General Sir Redvers Buller, who had previously been superseded to prevent the taxation of capital inwho had previously been appointed commander-in-chief. Buller, it is believed in London, will continue to direct the operations in Natal. Roberts is rated the most popular and by many the most brilliant soldier in England He is at present commander-in-chief of the forces in Ireland. His son, Hon. F. H. S. Roberts, was a lieutenant in Buller's army, and was mortally wounded in last Friday's battle at Colenso.

Steps have been taken to send still nore reinforcement to South Africa When the additional troops arrive Lord Roberts will have an army of 145,000 men. The British government has also decided to call out all the remaining portions of the army reserve. Nine battalions of militia, in addition to two battalions which have already volunteered, will, under the above order, be allowed to volunteer for service

outside of England.

The British losses in the battle of Colenso were 1,097, divided as follows Killed 82; wounded, 667; missing 348 This is the heaviest loss sustained in any single battle of the war. The

Boer loss has not been made public. The latest figures, based on revised lists from London, bring the known British losses in the war up to 7,630, in-

cluding killed wounded and missing.

If General Methuen can hold his position at the Modder river a few lays longer be will probably be reinforced by at least 6,000 men. General Methuen's wound has healed, and he repairing Waterloo bridge, in Fauquier intends to conduct operations northwest

from Modder river. General Gatacre has again established his headquarters at Sterkstroom, 25 miles in a straight line and 40 miles by rail south of Stormberg, the scene of his recent defeat.

A dispatch from Sterkstroom, state that as a result of the British reverses the whole of Northern Cape Colony is A Pretoria dispatch states that the

condition of General Joubert, who is ill at Volksrust in the Transvaal, is improving. It is reported that, owing to the crisis, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and other

members of the British Cabinet will re-A distinguished diploma e in Berlin says Great Britain's prestige has fallen ders. enormously in Europe because of the

reverses in South Africa. SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL : 4880CIA-

On account of the meeting of the above se-sociation the Southern Bailway Company will sell tickets to Memphis and return at rate of one first class fare for the round trip, plus \$2, membership fee. Tickets to be sold Decem-ber 24 and 25, Final limit January 8,

Fredericksburg proposes to issue bonds to the amount of \$12,000 to provide for I ghting the streets with elec-

Miss Ann Virginia Paxson, of Loudoun county, died on Saturday in Washington at the home of her brotherin-law, C. W. Colt.

The copper mines on the Sealock farm, which is located near Linden, Warren county, and six miles of Front Royal, are being developed by a miting company from Pittsburg.

General Stith Bolling, Grand Commander of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans, has appointed Senator John W. Daniel and Judge George L. Christian to the history committee to fill vacancies. A. D. McCraw, better known as

"Bib" McCraw, a car inspector of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, was caught between two cars at Lynchburg early yesterday morning and instantly The bumpers of the cars crush killed. ed him in a fearful manner.

The Morgan Line of steamships, it is stated, has awarded to the Newport News Ship-Building Company the contracts for four more large steamships for its service between New York and New Orleans. The cost of the vessels will aggregate \$2,400,000.

Dalegate Newberne, of Norfolk couny, has a case of smallpox and has been sent to the smallpox hospital in Richmond. The president of the board of health says Mr. Newberne has been complaining for several days, but the lisease did not manifest itself until Saturday. Mr. Newberne was quartered at one of the down-town hotels. His

case is pronounced mild. Citizens of Staunton and Augusta county are interested in a proposed dispensary law. The main points are: First, it does away with social drinking, and, second, it removes the element of gain. Many citizens expressed their willingness to work for such a law, and get right to work to get up a petition to present to the legislature, Augusta is now a local option county.

Attorney General Montague has ree ved notification that Judge Prentiss, of the Commonwealth vs. Wm. Ellinger, thus establishing the State's contention that the celebrated grant of the Irish commissioner some years back of tidal water ground to the Fox Island estate

was illegal and therefore null and void. The dead body of George J. Waikwas found in a strip of woods at Idiewood Park, near Middletown, Frederick county, Saturday night, by Miss Eva Ash, who was returning home by a short route from a neighbor's. The body was partly decomposed. Two letters were found in a pocket of the dead man. Waiks had been despond-

ent for some time over unrequited love. The case of H. G. Wadley, charged with wrecking an insurance company, was concluded on Saturday at Wythe ville by a verdict of one year in the penitentiary. Wadley was tried several years ago in the Circuit Court of Wythe county. He took an appeal, and by successive appeals the case was carried to the United States Supreme Court, aleging that he could not get justice in the State courts. The Supreme Court remanded the case.

THE LEGISLATURE.

There was no session of the Senate on Saturday. The House adjourned

after one hour's work. Mr. Murrell introduced a delinquent land law, which requires direct service of notice that taxes are in arrears, upon resident taxpayers, and full published notice to non-residents. It gives opportunity to taxpayers to have six months' extension of time upon showing valid reason for such extension; secures positive payment by levy, and returns all moneys so collected to own-

ers, except actual taxes and costs. Mr. Jennings introduced a bill which proposes to amend section 8 of the revenue laws, so as to prevent double tax-

ed by a share of stock or otherwise. Mr, Buntin introduced a bill which provides for permanent improvement of roads by the counties under State system and control so that the leading ighways of the State may be put it proper shape for continuous lines of travel. It provides for the issue of county bonds to the extent of an interest-bearing rate, which shall not exceed one-half the cost of the present road system, except upon vote or petition of the people of the several counties. It also provides for a State road board, to be composed of the State officials, and

for a State road commissioner. Other bills were introduced as fol ows: To amend section 469 of the code in relation to the duty of the commis sioner to continue on his land-books in the name of the former owner land that

has been sold for taxes,

To prevent tramps and others from stealing rides on railroads, and to prevent trespassing upon railroad locomo tives, cars, tenders or trains,

To amend and re-enact section 3653 of the code in relation to poor debtors An act to amend section 72 of the

code with reference as to how vacancies in -lectoral boards are to be filled in certain cases by the court. Bills were passed to authorize the board of supervisors of Rappahannock county to appropriate \$125 out of the

county funds of said county to assist in County.

To quiet the title to that certain lot in the city of Winchester, known as the Old Catholic Cemetery, and to provide

for the removal of the remains interred

therein and the sale of said lot. Mr. Martin will tomorrow be elected to succeed himself as U. S. Senator from Virginia. Senator Flood will nominate Mr. Martin in the Senate. Mr. Boazor Mr. Duke will probably present his

name in the House.

A bill that is exciting lively interest is the one offered by Senator Steele to prevent the manufacture or sale of any food stuff in which there is calomel, arsenie, bismuth, ammonia or alum. It is said this measure, if passed would practically break up a Richmond concern that manufactures baking now-

The House committee on agriculture has agreed to report a bill proposing to impose a tonnage tax of 15 cents on all fertilizers sold in this State. This bill, if passed, will give the Department of Agriculture probably \$20,000. This measure is a substitute for that referred to the committee providing a tax of \$20 tured.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

From Richmond.

[Special dispatch to Alexandria Gazette.] Richmond, Ve., Dec. 18.-Senator Fairfax today got through the Senato the bill to amend the charter of the Leesburg and Point of Rocks Turnpike Company. The General Assembly will adjourn on Wednesday for the Christmas holidays. It is said that a bill to incorporate Rosslyn will not be offered.

Foreign News.

London, Dec. 18 .- A dispatch states that a terrific cyclone has occurred at Lorenzo Marquez, Portuguese East Africa. Houses were unroofed, ships driven ashore and many persons killed by the tempest.
Paris, Dec. 18.—The Paris papers for

wonder are not jubilant over Builer's defeat in Natal and many of them commend England's pluck and fortitude in the hour of her adversity.

The Dixneuvieme Siecle says it is rumored in Cairo that the Khalifa is still alive. Berlin, Dec. 18 .- Adolph Rentner, a

capitalist, who had invested his whole fortune in South African newspapers, committed suicide by hanging himself here Saturday evening on consequence of General Buller's defeat in Natal, as he feared it meant the loss of all his South African investments.

Bouth African investments.

Bombay, Dec. 18.—Cholera has broken out at the famine relief works at Hissar. northwest of Debi. There have already been 997 cases and 563 deaths.

Kome, Dec. 18.—A corpse was found hanging this morning from the railing around the high altar in et. Peter's. The gruesome dis-

overy has caused a senset on and because of the suicide within its wells, the basilica will cide within its walis, the basilica will have to be reconsecrated.

Rome, Dec. 18.—The appointment of Mgr.
Sbarrett to be Bishop of Havana may be cancelled owing to the protect of the Cubans to the appointment of any but a Cuban to the of-

Responding to the Call. London, Dec. 18 -The war office's announcement calling for a strong force of volunteers for South Africa is being responded to in gallant fashion. Offers to serve are pouring in from whole regiments and thousands of individuals. In Edinburgh today an artillery troop of 300 was organized in in the Circuit Court of Accomac, on two hours. The war office explains Saturday rendered a decision in favor today that the appointment of Field Marshal Lord Roberts does not reflect on General Buller, who will be too closely occupied with the campaign in Natal to supervise the general British

advance movement in Cape Colony. London, Dec. 18.—There is genera satisfaction in England over the new war plan to be inagurated in South Africa, and the appointment of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, together with that of General Lord Kuchener, is strongly approved in all quarters. The vigorous action of the war office in meeting the emergency in South Africa has mitigated the fear prevalent since the news of Buller's defeat. It is esti mated that at least fifty thousand men will be added to the force already in South Africa or en route thither, which will give General Roberts an army of something like 200,000 men. In order to expedite the transportation of the volunteer reenforcements to the Cape, more swift steamers will be chartered and it is expected that by six weeks, at the latest, General Roberts's new army will be mobilized in Cape Colony, and the second South African campaign

will be begun. Cairo, Dec. 18 .- General Lord Kitchener Omdurman tomorrow for Caretown is Cairo. London, Dec. 18.-A dispatch to the Cen-

tral News from Modder river stations say that on Faturday the Boers blew up the railroad two miles north of the British camp

Failures in New York. New York, Dec. 18,-The Stock Exchange firm of Henry Allen & Co., has announced its suspension. The belief is generally held that the firm has been carrying speculative securities for cuswho were unable to respond to

the call for additional margins. New York, Dec. 18 .- A notice on the doors of the Produce Exchange Trust Company says the concern has suspended payment pending an examination of its books! The Trust Company made a statement of its condition this morning saying that it had suspended pending examination and adjustment and that t had ample assets to meet all its liabili-

The failure of the Produce Exchange Trust Company caused a semi-panic in Wall street this morning. The stock market, which had been nervous and weak, could not withstand the stock and declines ranging from 3 to 5 per cent. were general. The liabilities of the Produce Exchange Trust Company are estimated at about \$8,300,000.

Captured Men of the Yorktown.

Washington, Dec, 18—Two of the Yorktown's captured crew, Ryders and Woodbury, have been recaptured and are now safe in American hands. Sev. Fourth: The general partner is Henry K. en of the fourteen who were captured with Lieutenant Gilmore at Balar were last heard of November 29 near Vigan.

The following dispatch from Admiral
Watson at Manila, explains the fate of

sole trader, ooth residing in the city of andris and State of Virginia.

Fifth: The said special partner; viz: the said J. W. Hopkins, has contributed to the Watson, at Manila, explains the fate of the other seven, of whom four were killed: "Seaman Ryders, of the Yorktown, captured at Baler, has been recaptured with Woodbury by cavalry at Bayombong and has reported on board the flagship, Both were wounded when Gilmore was taken and were left behind. Ryders reports that Nygard, McDonald, Dillon and Morrissey were killed; Ryders, Woodbury and Venville were wounded. Expect Woodbury tomorrow. Wounded not cared for, but recovered under personal care. Wood-bury and Ryders walked nearly to Ma-

Excitement on Stock Exchange.

New York, Dec. 18 .- After 1:30 this afternoon the market went to smash. Call money went soaring, at one time reaching 70 per cent. bid and this caused the market to go to pieces. The declines ranged from 2 to 12 per cent. and were general. The market is November, in the year 1899.

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY.

prices lower and lower,
At 2:30 p. m., money on call was 100
per cent. bid. Shortly after 2:30 p. m., J. Pierpoint Morgan sent one million dollars into the market to loan at 50 per cent.

oney on call had reached 125 per cent. Money on call had reached 125 per cent.
bid when the Morgan money was thrown on
the market. The Clearing House committee
of the Associated Banks got together and as a
result \$10,000,000 additional money was oaned on 'Change.

A Franco-Chinese War Imminent. Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 18 .- Hong Kong mail advices state that war is im minent over the delimitation of French "leased" territory at Kuang Chou Bay, on the Tonkin. This dispute is of sev eral months standing, the French having demanded thrice the amount of terri tory which Caina is willing to concede. Marshal Su, China's most famous general, and victor of the battle at Liang-Shan in the last Franco-Chinese war,

has been sent to Kuang Chou Bay with thirty thousand well drilled troops.

New York, Dec. 18.—The market close follows: Wheat—Dec.—; May 70½. Georgetown, Dec. 18.—Wheat 65s70.

No Right to Ugliness. The woman who is lovely in face. form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich com-plexion. It will make a good looking charming woman of a run down inva lid. Only 50 cents at E. S. Leadbeater & Sons', Drug Store.

"I was nearly dead with dyspensia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs and grew worse. I used Kodol Dyspepels Cure. That cured me." I digests what you est. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia.

How Are Your Kldneys Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sam-de free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or M. Y

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The steamer State of Kansas burned at New Madrid, Mo., today. Loss \$50,000.

Three persons were seriously burned and fourth injured by jumping from a second story window in a tenement house fire in Hoboken, N J, this morning.

For the first time since the beginning of th Molineax trial, now in progress in New York the wife and mother of the plaintiff were in court today.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be mag netic, full of life, nerve and vicor, take No-To Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak me strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guara teed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co. Chicago or New York

Mr. J. Sheer, Sedalis, Mo., saved his child's life by Cne Minute Cough Cure. Doctors had given her up to die with croup. It's an infallible cure for coughs, colds, grippe, preu monis, brouchitis and throat and lung troubles Relieves at onco.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.-Senator Sullivan, of Mississippi, has prepared, and will at once introduce, a bill to construct the Nicaragua canal. The bill contemplates absolute ownership by the United States, with the right to erect such forts as may be necessary in time of war to protect the canal. I will also provide for the abolition of the Claytor-Bulwer treaty, so as to eliminate from the bill those features of the Morgan bill that passed the Senate at the last session. It will give ab solute control to the United States of

J. B. Clark, Peoria, Ili, says: "Surgeons wanted to operate on me for piles, but I cured them with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve." It s infallible for piles and skin diseases. Be

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c.

TO THE FARMERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF ALEXANDRIA, FAIR-FAX AND ADJOINING COUNTIES.—It is very important that each and every one of you be present at the general meeting of the Agricultural and Industrial Fair Association of Northern Virginia, to be held at the Business Lesgue Room, corner Washington and King streets, Alexandris, Vs., DECEMBER

EOBERT ELLIOTT, Secretary pro tem.
Come and help us succeed in advancing

your interest. dec16 2t THIS IS TO CERTIFY to all whom these presents shall come that we, whose es are hereto subscribed; to wit: Henry names are hereto subscribed; to wit: Henry K. Field and J. W. Hopkins, a married wom an, as a separate and sole trader, both residents of the city of Alexandria, and State of Virginia, have entered into a limited part-nership for the purpose of transacting and carrying on the who esale and retail lumber business and the manufacture and sale of doors, sash, blinds, frames and all kinds of manufactured wood work used in the con struction of houses, buildings, structures and

and acts amendatory thereof, upon the terms. conditions and liabilities hereinafter set forth; to wit:

First: The partnership shall be conducted inder the firm name of Henry K. Field & Co second: The general nature of the business intended to be conducted by the said partnership is the wholesale and retail lumber business, and the manufacture and sale doors, sash, blinds, frames and all kinds of manufactured wood work used in the construction of houses, buildings, structures and salidings.

edifices, under and by virtue of the provis-ions of chapter 135 of the Code of Virginia

Field and the special partner is J. W. Hop-kins, a married woman, as a separate and

common stock of the said firm the sum of fourteen thousand dollars in cash. Six th: The said partnership is to commence immediately at and after the making and signing of this certificate, and is to terminate

on the 29th day of November, 1904.
Witness our hands and seals this 29th day
of November, 1899. HENRY K. FIELD. [SEAL] J. W. HOPKINS. [SEAL]

State of Virginia, city of Alexandria; to wit I, Neveli S. Greenaway, a notary public for the city aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do kereby certify that the above named Henry K. Field, the general partner of the firm of Henry K. Field & Co., referred to in the fore going certificate, personally appeared before me in my city aforesaid, and made oath in due form of law that the sum of money specified therein to have been contributed by J.

W. Hopkins, the special partner therein named, to the common stock of said firm; to wit: the sum of tourteen thousand dolears,

has been so contributed by her, and that said sum has been actually paid in cash.

Given under my hand this 29th day of

State of Virginia, city of Alexandria; to wit: J. Nevell S. Greenaway, a notary public for the city aforesaid. in the "ta'e of Virginia, do hereby certify that Henry K. Field and J. W. Hopkins, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed, bearing date on the 29th day of November, 1899, have acknowledged the same before me in my city afore

Given under my hand this 29th day of November, A. D. 1899 NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Notary Public.

Virginia: Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria, Clerk's Office, November 29th, 1899. This certificate of limited partnership was resented, and having been acknowledged beore a netary public, admitted to record. JOHN S. BEACH, Clerk.

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MONETARY AND COMM

Flour Extra..... 2 75

New York, Dec. 18 .- The st ck market opened somewhat feverish and unsettled under the influence of the speculative losies of last week and the gloomy ram rs while ways accompany a state of depression.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA

3 50

Mixed Fuitz.
Damp and tough...... Corn, white Yellow _____ Corn Meal. Bye 0 43 Eggs Boef, hind quarters..... Fore quarters...... 0
Live Chickens (hens)..... 0 Spring do...... 0 Hogs, dressed, large..... 0

Turkeys, live..... " undrawn...... " drawn...... Potatoes. Va., bush., Sweet Potatoes, bbl...... Onions, per bushel....... Dried Peaches, peeled.... Unpeeled Dried Cherries.... Dried Apples..... sacon, country hams. Best sugar-cured hams. Butchers' hams...... Breakfast Bacon...... Sugar-cured shoulders
Bulk shoulders...... Dry Salt sides....... Fat backs......

Bellies..... Smoked shoulders..... Smoked sides Smoked Beef..... Sagare-Brown . Granulated..... Coffees—Rio. LaGauyra..... New Orleans.....

Do. half barre

No 3 medium

No 2.

Plaster, ground, per ton.

Ground in bags.

Lump

Clover Seed. Wool-long, unwashed... Washed.... Merino, unwashed....

Cotton Seed Mixed Feed, 12 00 Sumac 0 70 Hay 15 00 Hay Cut do..... White Middlings...... 16 00

The grain market opened quiet w. offerings as is usual just before before

mas, while prices remain unchanged

Alexandria Mar ket. Dec 18

try Produce is in fair receipt and fairly firm. Chicago Cattle Market, Dec. 16 Cattl market generally steady; fancy the steers \$7.80; good to choice \$5.40 poor to medium \$4.30a5.25; mixed \$3a3.75; selected feeders \$4.25a4.65 to choice cows \$3.50a4 05; heifers cynners \$2a3, bulls \$2.50a4.20. 7.50; fed Texas beeves \$4.25a5.
Texas steers \$3.25a4. Hols.—Man active and 10c higher; mixed and \$4 05a4.25, good to choice heav \$4.05a4.25, good to choice heav 4.25, rough heavy \$3.95a4.05. light 4 20, fough neavy \$3 95a4.03. Ight
4 20, bulk of sales \$4.10a4.20. Sheep and lambs were steady; native
\$4a4.85; lambs \$4a5.75; Western
\$424.50; Western lambs \$4.65a5.50

Philadelphia Cattle Market, Dec. 1 Cattle were in fair demand and pre-clined on all grades, except christman which sold at 64,a7c Quotations follows: Extra 5 46c, good 5 43 5 4 dium 4 43 5c, common 4 4 4 2c per lb and Lambs were easier on all gradquotations were as follows: Extra 41 good 4a44c, medium 316a334c, common 314c per 1b Lambs 434a534c per 1b 34c per 1b Lambs 4.45.4c per 1b for best we erns, and 5.4a5.4c per 1b for others to cows were in fair request at 2.4a4 per Thin Cows were dull at \$8.1 per has Veal calves were active at 4.4a8 per Milch Cows were steady at \$35 to 550 p head. Dressed Beeves were in resonance quest at 6.4a9.4c per 1b.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, DEC. 15 1-99 ARRIVED.

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ROYAL SUGAM BEETS, very the std tender, in 3-ib cans, just received by HAMS-A few Missouri Hams for suc at 12c per lb, by

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